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BORDEN COMPANY BRICK SALTBOX
Brick Row, Shaft, Maryland
ca. 1850

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Borden Company Brick Saltbox

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Brick Row

CITY, TOWN

Shaft

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

George C. Winters

Telephone #: 689-6237

STREET & NUMBER

Route 1

CITY, TOWN

Frostburg

☒ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #: 405

Folio #: 83

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland,

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT

☐ GOOD

☒ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED

☐ RUINS

☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED

☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE

☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Borden Company Brick Saltbox is located on Brick Row in Shaft, Allegany County.

The Borden Company House is a one and a half story, four bay wide saltbox constructed of brick laid in American Common Bond. The structure rests on a low stone foundation. Two frame additions, one of which is covered with insul brick abuts the house on the south side. Windows in the structure are double hung wooden sash frames with one over one lights. Flat structural arches are located above the windows. Two verticle paneled doors with original hardware are located on the main facade. They are covered by a shed roofed porch. Two original corbeled brick chimneys are located at the inside gable end of the house.

The Borden Company Saltbox is in fair condition and retains much of its original fabric and appearance.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES ca. 1850

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

Borden Mining Company

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Borden Mining Company was incorporated in 1846¹ and operated the only Shaft mine in the George's Creek area.² Like other mining towns in the George's Creek area, the town of Borden Shaft was primarily a company town. That is, the majority of buildings (homes, etc.) were constructed by the company, although miners did have the opportunity to build their own homes if they desired.

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1 Katherine A. Harvey, The Best Dressed Miners, (Ithaca, N.Y., 1969) p.11

2 Ibid p.221

MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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Harvey, Katherine A., The Best Dressed Miners, (Ithaca, New York)
Cornell University Press, 1969

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .52 acre

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

John Nelson, Joan Baldwin & Steve Beale

ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

12/10/76

STREET & NUMBER

507 National Highway

TELEPHONE

777-8991

CITY OR TOWN

LaVale,

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

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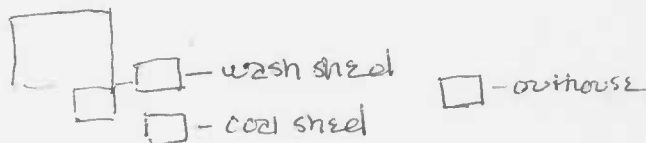
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.52 Acre

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: Borden Co. Brick SaltboxLOCATION OF PROPERTY: Brick RowDIRECTION DWELLING FACES: EastNAME OF OWNER: George C. Winters

689-6237

ADDRESS: Rt #1Frostburg MDSTORIES: 1(☒) 2(☐) 3(☐) 4(☐) 5(☐) 6(☐) BAYS: 1(☐) 2(☐) 3(☐) 4(☒) 5(☐) 6(☐) 7(☐) ()WINGS, ADDITIONS: insul brick + board battenDwelling Shape: (square, cross, rectangular)


WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- () FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
(☒) BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants. 1m2 btwn bricks
() STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
() LOG
() Other: Coverings

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS _____

FOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE

WATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICK

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1(☒) 2/2(☐) 6/6(☐) 9/6(☐) 9/9(☐) other()  gable
pegged () nailed () wide () narrow () mitred () pediment ()ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: twoHARDWARE: original(☒) replaced()

FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN

Paneled, Verticle, Horizontal Boards

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)

original() replaced() Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze, Architrave

ROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, MANSARD, GAMBREL, FLAT, DORMERS #

MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original() replaced()

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed(☒) hip() gable()CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 2 BRICK(☒) STONE() CORBELLED(☒) original() replaced(☒)LOCATION: Flush end() Inside end() Outside end() Central() Interior()ARCHES: Door and window: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

Use - miners homeSignificance - 1843?

Date Constructed -

Condition - fairshaft mine = 18 ft. deep
burned 1927

Borden Mining Co. House

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Brick Row - Shaft
Frostburg, MD.-PA.

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1949

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SECTION VII

FROSTBURG

(Separate Map)

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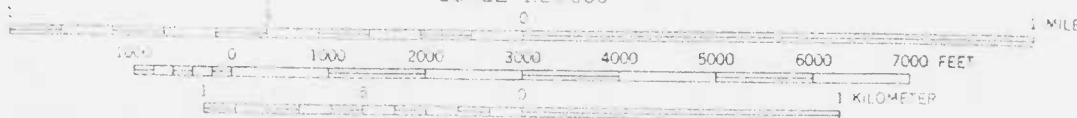
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SCALE 1:24,000



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Brick Row

Shaft, M.D.

John E. Nelson

11/19/76

West

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Bordon Co. Brick House - Winters

Brick Row

Shaft, MD.

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North east



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